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PORPER COMES FROM THE GULF.

HERE THIS MORNING WITH BIGGEST FRESH HALIBUT TRIP OF THE SEASON.

With another monster halibut fare, the largest of the season, sch. Cavalier Capt. Robert Porper, is here this morning from the Gulf of St. Lawrence with between 60,000 and 65,000 pounds of fresh halibut and about 10,000 weight of salt cod besides.

Capt. Porper is the first halibuter from the gulf this season. He tried to reach Anticosti, but was obliged to turn back on account of the heavy fields of drift ice and fished on Bird Rocks after getting a bait supply from the Magdalens.

When Capt. Porper started for home he left sch. Tacoma fishing in the same locality.

The fare of halibut was purchased by the American Halibut Co. this morning at 10 1/2-8 cents a pound for white and 6 1/2-2 cents a pound for gray. Capt. Porper and his crew should realize a nice share from the proceeds of the trip.

WORLD'S RECORD HALIBUT TRIP.

The world's record for the largest single catch of halibut ever made was broken on May 3, when the fishing steamship Independent of the Welding & Independent Fisheries Co. arrived in Seattle, bringing 362,570 pounds of halibut. Inasmuch as the Independent was absent less than 12 days her trip is considered in many respects the most remarkable ever made.

The size of the catch is better appreciated when it is said that packed for shipment, it would make nearly 15 carloads or a fair-sized train by itself. The Independent is one of the newest steamers in the halibut fleet and the Welding Company enjoys the distinction of being the youngest concern in that field on the coast.

The Independent was in command of Capt. T. Selness at the time her record catch was made.

Worth Looking Into.

The following item of interest to salt fish dealers of this city appeared in the Daily Consular and Trade Reports, issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, dated May 14:

No. 8788. Salted and dried fish and marine products.—A report from an American consul in the Far East states that a city in his district imported from abroad during 1911 an aggregate of \$500,000 worth of salted and dried fish, dried shrimps, dried prawns, and bache-de-mer. American dealers interested may secure particulars by addressing the consulate in question.

Further particulars may be obtained from R. W. Freeman, secretary of the local Board of Trade.

Sturgeon Worth \$200.

John Murphy, Bridgeport N. J. fisherman, seining for shad in the Delaware river recently, just below Chester, Pa., detected a strong tug at the cork line, and found his batteau moving up stream. He began to haul in his seine, but when his fish reached the side of the boat he realized it was too big for him to handle. The catch was a sturgeon which, when finally landed with the aid of other fishermen, was found to weigh 500 pounds. Murphy sold the roe to local dealers. The catch netted him \$200.

Lest Her Foremast.

With a broken foremast as evidence of the fact that she encountered the 76-mile gale of last Friday night, the smack Priscilla of the E. E. Saunders Fish and Ice Company reached Pensacola Sunday afternoon from the snapper banks. The Priscilla was in the direct path of the gale and her mainmast was snapped off in the center during the height of the blow. No one was hurt. After re-rigging the broken spar the trip to Pensacola was made without further incident.

BROUGHT DOWN POLLOCK FARE.

STEAMER BESSIE M. DUGAN GOT NO MARKET FOR NEW FISH AT BOSTON.

Two fresh fares have arrived here since yesterday's report, schs. Ethel B. Penny bringing 60,000 pounds and Margaret Dillon, 40,000 pounds.

Sch. Cavalier from halibuting is also in with a big trip, while steamer Bessie M. Dugan is down from Boston with 18,000 pounds of fresh pollock to split.

None of the gill netters landed yesterday.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Cavalier, Gulf of Lawrence, 65,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, Brown's Bank, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Bessie M. Dugan, via Boston, 18,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, Brown's bank, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Stiletto, returned.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Valentinnia, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, Boston.

Sch. Volant, drifting.

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, shacking.

Sch. Virginia, haddocking.

Sch. Hortense, halibuting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.75, mediums, \$3.25; snappers, \$2.25.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.12 1/2 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.50.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.87 1/2; mediums \$3.50; snappers \$2.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1/2; mediums, \$3.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2 snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock 70 cents per cwt.

Peak cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.55; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2; mediums, \$1.65; snappers, 75 cents.

All codfish not gilled, 10 cts. per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, 70c.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c.; round, 70c.

Bank halibut, 10 1/2-8c lb. for white, and 6 1/2-2c for gray.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Arrived Today.

Br. sch. Alaska, Sackville, N. S. for Vinal Haven, for orders.

On the Railways.

Sch. Reliance is on Burnham brothers' railways.

Schs. Corsair and Stiletto are on the Rocky Neck railways.

Well Fished.

Sch. Arkona, Capt. Newman Wharton, one of the salt banking fleet at Sydney this week with 200,000 lbs. of salt cod on board.

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MORE NETTERS AT NEW YORK.

Nearly 3000 fresh mackerel are at New York this morning, nine of the netting fleet being there with fares ranging from 100 to 600 fish each in count.

They are schs. Mabel Leavitt, 300; Lear C, 200; Earl and Nettie, 200; W. H. Reed, 200; Albert Brown, 600; Pearl, 300; Eliza Benner, 100; Madeline, 600; Mettacommet, 600.

Among the netters reported at Atlantic City yesterday were: Priscilla 2d, with 700 fish in count; the Priscilla with 500; the Charlotte with 600; the Mildred J., with 500; Hersey D. Taylor, with 420, and the Uncle Sam, with 470.

RECEIPTS ARE LIGHT TODAY.

T WHARF ARRIVALS HAD ONLY 150,000 POUNDS OF FRESH FISH.

T wharf dealers were not over supplied with fresh fish this morning, 8 crafts having arrived since yesterday with about 150,000 pounds.

The steam trawler Swell brought in about 40,000 weight and sch. E. C. Hussey, 31,000 pounds which are the largest fares of the morning.

Only a few sales of haddock were reported, the fish selling at \$4 a hundred. Large cod brought from \$2.60 to \$3, market cod \$1.68 to \$1.75, and pollock, \$1.50.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Emily Sears, 17,000 cod.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, 31,000 cod.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 17,000 cod.

Steamer Swell, 38,000 haddock, 300 cod.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2500 cod.

Sch. Eva Avina, 4700 cod.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 27,000 cod.

Sch. Appomattox, 18,500

Haddock, \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.60 to \$3; market cod, \$1.68 to \$1.75; pollock, \$1.50.

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Has Been Ashore.

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood has arrived at Hawkesbury, C. B., in a leaking condition, having been ashore on Bonaventure Island. The craft will repair at Hawkesbury before proceeding on her trip.

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THREE TRIPS IN AT T WHARF.

TRADE DULL THIS MORNING AND BUT FEW FISH SALES ARE REPORTED.

Sch. Mary B. Greer is at T wharf, Boston, this morning with a nice trip of fresh fish from the Cape shore, her haul being for 30,000 pounds of haddock, 30,000 pounds of cod, and about 23,000 pounds of hake, cusk and pollock.

The only other arrivals since yesterday are schs. Priscilla with 18,000 weight and sch. Olivia Sears with 5000 pounds.

Trade was dull this morning, but few sales being reported. Shore haddock was quoted at \$2.75 to \$3.75 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50, market cod, \$1.35 to \$1.75, hake, \$1 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$1 and halibut 12 cents a pound for white and 10 cents a pound for gray.

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The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Priscilla, 500 haddock, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 5000 cod.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, 30,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 3000 pollock.

Haddock \$2.75 to \$3.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.35 to \$1.75; hake, \$2.50; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$1; halibut, 12 cents for white and 10 cents for gray.

BOHEMIA HOME FROM BONNE BAY.

Sch. Bohemia, one of the fleet owned by Sylvanus Smith & Co., Incorporated, which has been imprisoned in the ice at Bonne Bay, N. F., since the middle of last January, arrived home yesterday afternoon in command of Capt. Edward Seely.

The craft sailed from here December 13 on a Newfoundland herring trip. She was among the fleet that got caught in the ice about January 15, and was the only one that did not escape. The craft put back to Bonne Bay where she has been frozen in all winter. As soon as the ice broke up, she was released and reached here yesterday. Capt. Seely brought home about 250 barrels of salt herring on board.

VARIETY OF ARRIVALS HERE.

FLEET BRINGS, SALT HERRING, HALIBUT, SALT COD AND FRESH FISH.

Quite a variety of arrivals are here this morning, including three of the salt drifting fleet, two with fresh fish, one from Newfoundland, and another from Georges halibuting.

The drifters are schs. W. H. Rider, Eglantine and Ralph Russell, who are reported with 35,000 pounds apiece.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson is in direct from Brown's with a fresh fare, while sch. Pontiac is down from Boston with 90,000 pounds of fresh fish left over from Thursday.

Capt. John Stream in sch. Rena A. Percy arrived from a Georges halibuting trip during the forenoon. Three of the south seiners, schs. Clintonia, Effie M. Prior and Lucania are also at home to fit for the Cape Shore.

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Sch. Pontiac, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, Brown's Bank, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish, 1200 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Bohemia, Bonne Bay, N. F., 100 bbls. salt herring, 157 bbls. pickled herring.

Sch. Rena A. Percy, Georges halibuting.

Sch. Lucania, south seining.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, south seining.

Sch. Clintonia, south seining.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Flora S. Oliver, haddocking.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, haddocking.

Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon, seining.

Sch. Stiletto, seining.

Sch. Shenandoah, seining.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, handlining.

Sch. Mattie Winship, Georges handlining.

Sch. Selma, halibuting.

Sch. American, Newfoundland.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, Boston.

Sch. Ethel B. Penney, Boston.

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Lunenburg, N. S., Fishing Notes.

Late reports from the fishing grounds show the fares of the following vessels: Uda A. Saunders, 1000 qts. R. L. Borden, 1100, Acadian 700, F. M. Toro, 900, Lillian B. Corkum 900.

Messrs. Howard Allen & Co. have commented the construction of a large fishing schooner for parties in Lunenburg. Work on another vessel will be commenced shortly.

HOW THE CHINESE FISH.

Fishing as practiced in China will be a novel sport on one of the big Michigan lakes this year. The Chinese tie a fishline to the leg of a trained duck and put the duck on the water over the fishing beds. When the duck feels a tug it paddles for the shore dragging the fish.

shore handlining and halibuting.